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1. SUMMARY: EVERY YEAR EARLY SEPTEMBER MARKS THE TRADITIONAL RETURN FROM VACATION AND RETURN TO THE PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT LEFT UNSOLVED EARLIER IN THE SUMMER. THIS YEAR'S RETURN IS BEING ACCOMPANIED WITH MORE CONCERN, UNCERTAINTY AND CONFLICTING PREDICTIONS FOR THE FUTURE THAN USUAL. PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING AND THE GOF ARE DESPERATELY TRYING TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO
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THE MOST URGENT AND PERSISTENT, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ILLS.

PRIME MINISTER CHIRAC AND FINANCE MINISTER FOURCADE HAVE STATED THEY ALREADY SEE LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL; OTHERS, EVEN WITHIN THE RULING MAJORITY, ARE MORE RESERVED. OPPOSITION AND UNION LEADERS ARE PREDICTING THAT THE FALL WILL BE HEATED UP BY UNION AGITATION AND OPPOSITION PARTY ACTIVISM, NONE OF WHICH CAN BE RULED OUT. BUT IN THE FACE OF DISSENSION IN OPPOSITION RANKS AND IN THE ABSENCE OF A SHARP WORSENING OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION, NO SERIOUS THREAT TO THE POSITION OF THE PRESENT MAJORITY SEEMS LIKELY. AT THE SAME TIME, THE MAJORITY WILL NOT BE COMPLACENT; IT WILL ENDORSE PUBLICLY ON SEPTEMBER 4 (AND ELABORATE AT A SPECIAL PARLIAMENTARY SESSION SEPTEMBER 9-13) A SERIES OF MEASURES WHICH WILL BOTH ATTEMPT TO COPE WITH THE MOST PRESSING PROBLEMS AND DISARM THE OPPOSITION OF ITS MAIN ISSUES. END SUMMARY

2. THE GOF, MAJOR PARTIES AND UNIONS WILL BE MEETING FOR THE REST OF AUGUST AND EARLY SEPTEMBER; THE GOF TO HAMMER OUT ITS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANS FOR THE FALL AND BEYOND, AND THE OTHERS TO COME UP WITH COUNTER-PROPOSALS OR REACTIONS TO GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES. IT WILL NOT BE BEFORE EARLY SEPTEMBER THAT WE WILL KNOW WHAT SPECIFICALLY THE GOF INTENDS TO DO IN THIS AREA, BUT WE CAN ALREADY IDENTIFY CERTAIN ISSUES THAT WILL BE A SUBJECT OF DEBATE AND CALCULATE THEIR PROBABLE POLITICAL IMPACT. THE CONSULTATION SCHEDULE HAS ALREADY SEEN ONE COUNCIL OF MINISTER'S MEETING ON AUGUST 26 AND A MORE RESTRICTED MINISTERIAL MEETING THE SAME DAY, BOTH DEVOTED TO THE COMING ECONOMIC PROGRAM. ANOTHER MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER WILL GIVE FORMAL ENDORSEMENT TO THE PLAN PRIOR TO ITS PRESENTATION TO PARLIAMENT. IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE A MEETING BETWEEN THE TWO LARGEST LABOR UNIONS (CFDT AND CGT) ON AUGUST 28, CAUCUSES BY ALMOST ALL THE MAJOR PARTY FORMATIONS AND AN EXTRAORDINARY PARLIAMENTARY SESSION SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 9 - 13.

3. THE PREOCCUPATION OF ALL THESE MEETINGS WILL BE HOW CRITICAL AREAS OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND INFLATION. THESE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARE THE SAME ISSUES THAT HAVE PREOCCUPIED THE GOF AND OPPOSITION FOR OVER A YEAR, BUT THERE IS NOW A REALIZATION THAT THE COMBINATION OF CATCHY RHETORIC AND HALF-HEARTED MEASURES SERVED UP TO DATE WILL NOT BE SUFFICIENT TO PULL FRANCE OUT OF A BADLY DETERIORATED DOMESTIC ECONOMIC SITUATION. GISCARD D'ESTAING'S EARLIER THEME OF AN "ADVANCED, LIBERAL SOCIETY" AND HIS MORE RECENT REFERENCES TO A NEW KIND OF GROWTH

(QUALITY VERSUS QUANTITY) WILL BE SEEN AS INSUFFICIENT
IF NOT ACCOMPANIED BY MORE CONCRETE MEASURES THAT ATTACK
THE PRESENT RECESSION AS WELL AS THE FUNDAMENTAL,
STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS. SOME HINT OF GISCARD'S PROGRAM
HAS LEAKED OUT; THE NEW FEATURE WOULD BE THE INJECTION
OF ABOUT 6 BILLION DOLLARS IN DEFICIT SPENDING, DIVIDED
AMONG PROGRAMS TO STIMULATE CONSUMPTION, PROMOTE PUBLIC
INVESTMENT AND ASSIST PRIVATE COMPANIES. LONGER TERM AND
HIGHLY CONTROVERSIAL IDEAS FOR LATER IN THE PARLIAMEN-
TARY SESSION INCLUDE BILLS INTRODUCED BUT NOT ACTED UPON
IN LAST SESSION (CAPITAL GAINS TAX AND URBAN LAND
DEVELOPMENT REFORM) AND ACTION ON THE REPORT ON

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CORPORATE REFORM (SUDREAU REPORT). MEASURES TO UPGRADE MANUAL LABOR, PROBABLY SUBSIDIES TO ARTISANS AND LABOR INTENSIVE INDUSTRIES ARE ALSO IN THE WORKS. ON THE OTHER SIDE OF POLITICAL SPECTRUM, THE TRADE UNIONS CONTINUE TO URGE UNIVERSAL REDUCTION OF THE WORK-WEEK TO 40 HOURS WITHOUT LOSS OF PAY, INCREASE OF THE MINIMUM WAGE TO 1700 FRANCS PER MONTH INSTEAD OF THE PRESENT 1300 FRANCS, LOWER RETIREMENT AGE, AND THE CREATION OF 150,000 JOBS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR.
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SOME OF THESE MAY WELL BE PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT AS WELL. THE COMMUNIST PARTY'S PLAN IS EVEN MORE EXTENSIVE BUT UNREALISTIC IN ECONOMIC TERMS. AS A RESULT IT HAS NOT RECEIVED SERIOUS ATTENTION IN THE PRESS AND WAS ROUNDLY CRITICIZED BY THE PRESS WHICH DID CHOOSE TO COMMENT ON IT FOR NOT SPECIFYING WHERE THE REVENUES WOULD COME FROM TO COVER THE EXPENSES OF ITS PROGRAMS.

4. THESE VARIOUS POSITIONS WILL SET THE STAGE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 9-13 EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF PARLIAMENT, CALLED BY GISCARD LAST MONTH. HOWEVER SINCE LITTLE CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN A FEW BRIEF DAYS OF DEBATE, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE DIVERGENT POSITIONS OF THE MAJOR FACTIONS, ONE WONDERS WHAT GISCARD'S PURPOSE WAS IN CALLING FOR THIS SESSION ONE MONTH BEFORE THE REGULAR SESSION. HE WILL CERTAINLY HOPE TO MAKE A PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT ON THE PUBLIC AND GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT SOMETHING IS BEING DONE TO COPE WITH THE CRISIS. HE WILL ALSO HOPE TO OFFSET CRITICISM THAT HE HAS WASTED MONTHS THIS SUMMER, WHEN THE GOF COULD IN THEORY HAVE LAUNCHED ITS RECOVERY PROGRAM. THE OPPOSITION FOR ITS PART IS PRESENTLY THINKING OF COUNTERING THE GOVERNMENT OFFENSIVE IN PARLIAMENT WITH A CALL FOR VOTE OF CENSURE. BUT WITH GISCARD'S PARLIAMENTARY MAJORITY STILL SOLID AND RELIABLE, IT WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY FAIL. THE RESULTS OF THE SEPTEMBER SESSION WILL, THEREFORE, BE MODEST AND TENTATIVE, GIVEN THE LIMITED TIME FOR DEBATE AND THE COMPLEXITY OF THE ISSUES. IT CAN BE EXPECTED TO DO LITTLE MORE THAN PROVIDE THE FRAMEWORK FOR THE MORE EXTENSIVE DEBATE LATER IN THE FALL IN THE PARLIAMENT AND IN THE LARGER PUBLIC DOMAIN.

5. GISCARD IS ALSO MOTIVATED IN HIS PARLIAMENTARY

TACTICS BY A WISH TO DISARM THE OPPOSITION OF THE ONE MOST EFFECTIVE ISSUE IT HAS, NAMELY UNEMPLOYMENT. WHILE THERE ARE LARGE DISCREPANCIES ON FIGURES, ALL PARTIES AGREE THE LEVEL IS DANGEROUSLY HIGH AND CGT LEADER GEORGES SEGUY HAS CLAIMED IT WILL REACH 1.5 MILLION OR 6-7 PERCENT BY THE END OF YEAR. CGT FIGURES ARE NOTORIOUSLY HIGH(CONTRASTED WITH FO FIGURE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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700,000) BUT EVEN PRIVATE ESTIMATES ARE ONLY A LITTLE LOWER AT 1.3 MILLION. FURTHER' THE GOF IS NERVOUS ABOUT LAY-OFFS THAT HAVE ALREADY TAKEN PLACE (FOR EXAMPLE IN THE TEXTILE AND SHOE INDUSTRIES) AND THAT ARE THREATENED IN GREATER NUMBERS LATER THIS FALL. A SECOND ISSUE THAT GISCARD MUST CONFRONT IS INFLATION WHICH IS DOWN TO AN ANNUAL RATE OF ABOUT 10 NOW FROM A HIGH OF 16 MORE THAN A YEAR AGO. IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE GOF WILL MEET ITS TARGET OF 8. WHILE FRENCH ARE MORE SENSITIVE TO PROSPECTS OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND MORE USED TO LIVING WITH INFLATION, THESE TWO PROBLEMS TOGETHER POSE THE DILEMMA WHICH THE GOF HAS CONSTANTLY FACED. UNTIL JULY 29 THE GOF PERSISTED IN PLACING FIRST EMPHASIS ON CURBING INFLATION, EVEN WHILE TAKING SMALL STEPS IT HOPED WOULD REVIVE THE ECONOMY. PRIORITIES HAVE NOW BEEN REVERSED, BUT THE SITUATION WILL NOT CHANGE OVERNIGHT. A REAL ECONOMIC REVIVAL IS NOW UNLIKELY BEFORE THIS SPRING.

6. BEYOND CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS' GISCARD CAN BE EXPECTED TO MAKE SOME EFFORTS TOWARD HIS ANNOUNCED GOAL OF A MORE LIBERAL EQUITABLE SOCIETY. A SMALLER ECONOMIC PIE IS YET ANOTHER INCENTIVE TO FIND WAYS TO DISTRIBUTE WEALTH MORE FAIRLY. THIS APPROACH IS ALSO HIS STARTING POINT FOR EXPANDING HIS OWN POLITICAL BASE, IN PARLIAMENT' THE CABINET AND AMONG THE PARTIES. THE ALLIANCE WITH 170 GAULLISTS AND MOST OF THE 52 CENTER SEATS IN THE ASSEMBLEE CAN IN SOME CIRCUMSTANCES OPERATE AS A BRAKE ON CERTAIN INITIATIVES OF THE 64 INDEPENDENT REPUBLICANS (IR) AND CERTAINLY HAS ITS LIMITS. IT WILL BE REMEMBERED THAT THE ABORTION AND DIVORCE BILLS COULD NOT HAVE PASSED EARLIER THIS YEAR WITHOUT THE HELP OF OPPOSITION VOTES AND IN

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VIEW OF NEGATIVE VOTES BY A MAJORITY OF THE UDR AND
SOME OF THE IR. GISCARD HAS ALREADY MADE OVERTURES TO
THE RADICAL LEFT MOVEMENT (MRG). HE HAS ALSO GIVEN HIS
BENIGN APPROVAL TO THE RADICAL'S SHIFT TO THE LEFT IN
HOPES OF SPLITTING THE MRG AND EVEN SOME SOCIALISTS
FROM THE COMMON PROGRAM. ALTHOUGH AWARE OF THE RISKS
OF ALIENATING SOME OF HIS MORE CONSERVATIVE BACKERS,
GISCARD KNOWS THAT THE MORE PROGRESSIVE HIS ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL PACKAGES THIS FALL, THE GREATER HIS NEED
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WILL BE OF EXPANDING HIS MAJORITY AMONG VOTERS ON THE LEFT.

7. ONE ARGUMENT FAVORING THE MAJORITY BEING ABLE TO AT LEAST BUY TIME WITH ITS FALL PROGRAM IS THAT THE OPPOSITION IS DIVIDED -- BOTH BETWEEN THE PS AND PC, AS THEIR POSITIONS ON PORTUGAL HAVE RECENTLY SHOWN, AND WITHIN EACH PARTY. THE ON-GOING DEBATE BETWEEN THE TWO MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTIES, NEARLY ONE YEAR OLD NOW, NOT ONLY DIMINISHES THEIR EFFECTIVENESS VIS-A-VIS THE GOF BUT DIVERTS THE PUBLIC'S ATTENTION FROM POTENTIALLY WINNING ISSUES. ONE CAN EXPECT CONTINUED COMPETITION BETWEEN THE PS AND PC THIS FALL TO BE THE DOMINANT PRESENCE, BOTH ON THE NATIONAL SCENE AND, PERHAPS MORE IMPORTANT, IN FACTORIES, OFFICES AND OTHER WORK SITES. THIS OPEN DIVISION BETWEEN THE PARTIES IS ACCENTUATED BY THE LEFT WING CERES RIVALRY WITH MITTERRAND WITHIN THE PS. THE RADICAL UNIONS (CGT-CFDT) ARE STILL LICKING THEIR WOUNDS FROM THE SEVERAL SETBACKS THEY SUFFERED IN 1974 AND BEGINNING OF 1975 BECAUSE OF THEIR FAILURE TO ELICIT RESPONSE FROM THEIR RANK AND FILE. ACCORDINGLY, THEY GIVE EVERY EVIDENCE OF GREATER RESTRAINT IN LANGUAGE AND MORE CAUTIOUS THREATS OF ACTION AND AGITATION FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. HOWEVER BOTH CGT AND CFDT CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT THE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF THE COUNTRY AS OPPORTUNITIES TO DRAW SHARPER POLITICAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE LEFT WHILE AT THE SAME TIME RECOGNIZING THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GOF IS NORMAL PROCEDURE TO REACH COMPROMISE SOLUTIONS ON UNION DEMANDS. FORCE OUVRIERE ON THE OTHER HAND CONTINUES TO STRESS THE POLITICAL RISKS IN ANY FURTHER DETERIORATION OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION AND HAS ACTIVELY URGED GOF TO STIMULATE CONSUMPTION AS MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS TO REACTIVATE THE ECONOMY. AS THE EMBASSY HAS POINTED OUT IN PREVIOUS REPORTS, RISING UNEMPLOYMENT HAS SO FAR WORKED AS A BRAKE ON RANK AND FILE ACTIVITY IN FRANCE DESPITE EXHORTATIONS FROM UNION LEADERS. HOWEVER, THIS LOGIC COULD FAIL IF UNEMPLOYMENT WERE TO REACH SUCH HIGH LEVELS THAT ENOUGH WORKERS FELT THEY HAD LITTLE AT STAKE TO LOSE. FRANCE IS NOT AT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT POINT YET AND UNION DIVISIONS, THEIR LIMITED FUNDS TO SUPPORT MAJOR STRIKES, AND THEIR CAUTION OVER THE UNCERTAIN RESULTS OF ANY MAJOR ACTIVITY WOULD CALL FOR A FAIRLY PRUDENT ATTITUDE FOR THE NEAR FUTURE.

8. CONCLUSIONS: GISCARD ASKED AFTER HIS ELECTION THAT HE BE GIVEN 500 DAYS BEFORE BEING JUDGED ON HIS

PERFORMANCE. THIS PERIOD WILL BE UP IN SEPTEMBER. HE ALSO APPEALED EARLIER THIS SUMMER THAT THE TONE OF FRENCH POLITICS BE RELAXED (DECRIPE). HE WILL NOT BE SATISFIED ON EITHER SCORE. OPPOSITION'S JUDGMENT ON THE PAST YEAR WILL BE HARD, AND ITS TONE WILL, IF ANYTHING, PROBABLY EVEN HARDER AS 1975 DRAWS TO A

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MAJOR PARTY LINES, AS THE OPPOSITION'S REPEATED REJECTION OF GISCARD'S INVITATION TO CONSULT SHOWS. IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE ALTERCATION OF COURSE IS THE PC, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT GRIEVANCES AND SUPPORT STRIKE ACTIONS (INCLUDING RELATIVELY WEAK CASES AS THE PARISIEN LIBERE). THE GOF FOR ITS PART WILL ATTEMPT TO USE ANY OPENING WHICH PRESENTS ITSELF IN ORDER TO ATTRACT SUPPORT FROM THE UNITED LEFT. ITS ECONOMIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS WILL BE THE WEDGE TO MEASURE HOW FAR IT CAN OPEN A BREACH WITHIN THE POPULATION WHICH HAS VOTED LEFT WITHOUT LOSING LARGE NUMBERS OF PRESENT SUPPORTERS ON THE RIGHT. FINALLY, WITH RESPECT TO PERSONALITIES AND AS RECENT RESTRICTED MEETINGS HAVE SHOWN, IT IS STILL THE SAME SMALL TEAM AS BEFORE OF CLOSE ADVISORS TO GISCARD WHO ARE VERY MUCH IN CHARGE OF POLICY. ALTHOUGH MANY DECISIONS ARE MADE BY THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF, THOSE WHO COME IMMEDIATELY AFTER INCLUDE CHIRAC, PONIATOWSKI AND FOURCADE. THIS TEAM CAN BE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE GOVERNING THE COUNTRY. THE PRESS MAY SPECULATE ENDLESSLY ABOUT WHO THE NEXT WILL BE TO LOSE THEIR PORTFOLIOS, AND THERE PROBABLY WILL BE SOME CHANGES THIS FALL. WE CAN EXPECT, HOWEVER, THAT THESE CHANGES WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE LESS SIGNIFICANT POLICY LEVELS. GAMMON

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